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THE DECLARATION OF THE Proteſtant NOBILITY and GENTRY of the Province of *MUNSTER* IN IRELAND.

WE the Proteſtant Nobility and Gentry of *Munſter*, Aſſembled together, have well Conſidered the Violations that have been on the Laws of this Kingdom, ſince his Majeſty's Acceſſion to the Crown, contrary to his ſeveral Declarations and Promiſes, for the Preſervation and due Execution of them, the Innovations and almoſt Subverſion of the Proteſtant Religion, by means of the Countenance that hath been given the Prieſts, Friars and Jeſuits; both which, with the Menaces of the Popiſh Party, to lay this Kingdom in Aſhes, in caſe any Army ſhould Land here from *England*, hath endangered the loſs of our Religion, Laws, Lives, Liberties and Properties: For the perſervation of which, and prevention of this Kingdoms utter Depopulation and Ruine, which muſt inevitably follow the many Theſts and Outrages committed by the Popiſh Forces of this Kingdom, who have no other Support than the Plunder and Rapine of the Proteſtants, whom they threaten to Extirpate in oppoſition and contrary to the Laws of God, of Nations, of Nature, and the known

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Laws of the Land, we have unanimously Resolved, not only the Preservation of our selves, our Religion, Laws, Lives and Liberties, by Repelling Force with Force, but also of all Persons, of what Degrees soever, behaving themselves with Moderation amongst us. And for the better securing our selves and such from the mischievous Designs and Contrivances of our Enemies, we have, and do hereby mutually oblige all and every of us, each to other, That we will, to the utmost of our Power, [illegible] by each other in the Suppression of all that shall molest us, or any, or either of us in our Religion, Laws, Lives, Liberties and Properties. And as we are Resolved to give Obedience to the established and known Laws of the Land, so we will expect an Observation of them by others, and molest none that molest not us in this our Undertaking: As we are ready to Adhere with all the Protestants of this Kingdom, so we doubt not of their Concurrance and just Compliance with us in these necessary Resolutions. And we farther declare, That if the *Roman Catholicks* of this Kingdom do Attempt to put their Threats in Execution, we will immediately put our selves into Arms, and submit our selves to the Conduct and Command of the Right Honourable *William* [illegible] *Inchiquin*, and the Honourable *Henry Boyll*, Esq; or either of them, as they, or either of them, shall think fit.

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